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"THE WOMAN IN WHITE," "THE MOON STONE," "AFTER DARK," "NO NAME," "MAN AND WIFE," "THE LAW AND THE LADY," "THE NEW MAGDALEN," ETC., ETC.

"On arriving at Ten Acres Lodge I found Romayne in his study. His manuscript lay before him—but he was not at work. He looked worn and haggard. To this day I don't know from what precise nervous malady he suffers; I could only guess that it had been troubling him again since he and I last met.

"My first conventional civilities were dedicated, of course, to his wife. She is still in attendance on her mother. Mrs. Eyrecourt is now considered to be out of danger. But the good lady (who is ready enough to recommend doctors to other people) persists in thinking that she is too robust a person to require medical help herself. The physician in attendance trusts entirely to her daughter to persuade her to persevere with the necessary course of medicine. Don't suppose that I trouble you by mentioning these trumpery circumstances without a reason. We shall have occasion to return to Mrs. Eyrecourt and her daughter.

"Before I had been ten minutes in his company Romayne asked me if I had seen Winterfield since his visit to Ten Acres Lodge.

"I said I had seen him, and waited, anticipating the next question. Romayne fulfilled my expectations. He inquired if Winterfield had left London.

"There are certain cases (as I am told by medical authorities) in which the dangerous system of bleeding a patient still has its advantages. There are other cases in which the dangerous system of telling the truth becomes equally judicious. I said to Romayne: 'If I answer you honestly will you consider it as strictly confidential? Mr. Winterfield, I regret to say, has no intention of improving his acquaintance with you. He asked me to conceal from you that he is still in London.'

"Romayne's face plainly betrayed that he was annoyed and irritated. 'Nothing that you say to me, Father Benwell, shall pass the walls of this room,' he replied. 'Did Winterfield give any reason for not continuing his acquaintance with me?'

"I told the truth once more with courteous expressions of regret. Mr. Winterfield spoke of an ungracious reception on the part of Mrs. Romayne.'

"He started to his feet, and walked irritably up and down the room. 'It is beyond endurance!' he said to himself.

"The truth had served its purpose by this time. I affected not to have heard him. 'Did you speak to me?' I asked.

"He used a milder form of expression.

"'It is most unfortunate,' he said. 'I must immediately send back the valuable book which Mr. Winterfield has lent to me. And that is not the worst of it. There are other volumes in his library which I have the greatest interest in consulting—and it is impossible for me to borrow them now. At this time, too, when I have lost Penrose, I had hoped to find in Winterfield another friend, who sympathized with my pursuits. There is something so cheering and attractive in his manner, and he has just the boldness and novelty of view in his opinions that appeal to a man like me. It was a pleasant future to look forward to, and it must be sacrificed—and to what? To a woman's caprice.'

"From our point of view this was a frame of mind to be encouraged. I tried the experiment of modestly taking the blame on myself. I suggested that I might be (quite innocently) to blame for Romayne's disappointment.

"He looked at me, thoroughly puzzled. I repeated what I had said to Winterfield: 'Did you mention to Mrs. Romayne that I was the means of introducing you—'

"He was too impatient to let me finish the sentence.

"'I did mention it to Mrs. Romayne,' he said. 'And what of it?'

"'Pardon me for reminding you that Mrs. Romayne has prejudices,' I rejoined. 'Mr. Winterfield would, I fear, not be very welcome to her as the friend of a priest.'

"He was almost angry with me for suggesting the very explanation which had proved so acceptable to Winterfield.

"'Nonsense!' he cried. 'My wife is far too well-bred a woman to let her prejudices express themselves in that way. Winterfield's personal appearance must have inspired her with some unreasonable antipathy, or—'

"He stopped and turned away thoughtfully to the window. Some vague suspicion had probably entered his mind, which he had only became aware of at that moment, and which he was not quite able to realize as yet. I did my best to encourage the new train of thought.

"'What other reason can there be?' I asked.

"He turned on me sharply.

"'I don't know. Do you?'

"I ventured on a courteous remonstrance. 'My dear sir! if you can't find another reason, how can I? It must have been a sudden antipathy, as you say. Such things do happen between strangers. I suppose I am right in assuming that Mrs. Romayne and Mr. Winterfield are strangers?'

"His eyes flashed with a sudden sinister brightness; the new idea had caught light in his mind.

"'They met as strangers,' he said.

"There he stopped again and returned to the window. I felt that I might lose the place I had gained in his confidence if I pressed the subject any further. Besides, I had my reasons for saying a word about Penrose next. As it happened, I had received a letter from him relating to his present employment, and sending kindest regards to his dear friend and master in a postscript.

"I gave the message. Romayne looked round with an instant change in his face. The mere sound of Penrose's name seemed to act as a relief to the gloom and suspicion that had oppressed him the moment before.

"'You don't know how I miss the dear, gentle little fellow,' he said, sadly.

"'Why not write to him?' I suggested. 'He would be so glad to hear so from you again.'

"'I don't know where to write.'

"'Did I not send you his address when I forwarded your letter to him?'

"'No.'

"'Then let me atone for my forgetfulness at once.'

"I wrote down the address and took my leave.

"As I approached the door I noticed on a side-table the volumes which Penrose left with Romayne. One of them was open, with a pencil lying beside it. I thought that a good sign, but said nothing.

"Romayne pressed my hand at parting.

"'You have been very kind and friendly, Father Benwell,' he said. 'I shall be glad to see you again.'

"Don't mention it in quarters where it might do me harm. Do you know, I really pitied him. He has sacrificed everything to his marriage—and his marriage has disappointed him. He was even reduced to be friendly with me.]

"Of course, when the time comes, I shall give Penrose leave of absence. Do you foresee, as I do, the speedy return of 'the dear, gentle little fellow' to his old employment; the resumed work of conversion advancing more rapidly than ever; and the jealousy of the wife aggravating the false position in which she is already placed by her equivocal reception of Winterfield? Patience, my reverend colleague!

"The next day I called to inquire how Mrs. Eyrecourt was getting on. The report was favorable. Three days later I called again. The report was still more encouraging. I was also informed that Mrs. Romayne had returned to Ten Acres Lodge.

"Much of my success in life has been achieved by never being in a hurry. I was not in a hurry now. Time sometimes brings opportunities—and opportunities are worth waiting for.

"Let me make this clear.

"Thus far the chance had only been in my favor in the one case of the meeting between Winterfield and Miss Eyrecourt in the picture gallery. The time was surely ripe for another chance? Besides, I recognized the necessity of not disturbing the renewal of relations between Penrose and Romayne by any premature proceeding. There, you have two of my reasons for not being in a hurry! A man of headlong disposition in my place would probably have spoken of Miss Eyrecourt's marriage at the first meeting between Winterfield and Romayne, and would have excited their distrust and put them respectively on their guard, without obtaining any useful result. I can at any time make the disclosure to Romayne which informs him that his wife had been Winterfield's guest in Devonshire when she affected to meet her former host on the footing of a stranger. In the meanwhile I give Penrose ample opportunity for innocently widening the breach between husband and wife.

"You see, I hope, that if I maintain a passive position it is not from indolence or discouragement. Now we may get on.

"After an interval of a few days more I decided on making further inquiries at Mrs. Eyrecourt's house. This time when I left my card I sent a message asking if the lady would receive me. Shall I own my weakness? She possesses all the information that I want; and she has twice baffled my inquiries. Under these humiliating circumstances it is a part of the pugnacity of my disposition to inquire again.

"I was invited to go upstairs.

"The front and back drawing-room of the house were thrown into one. Mrs. Eyrecourt was being gently moved backward and forward in a chair on wheels, propelled by her maid; two gentlemen being present, visitors like myself. In spite of rouge and loosely-folded lace and flowing draperies, she presented a deplorable spectacle. The bodily part of her looked like a dead woman painted and revived, while the moral part, in the strongest contrast, was just as lively as ever.

"'So glad to see you again, Father Benwell, and so much obliged by your kind inquiries. I am quite well, though the doctor won't admit it. Isn't it funny to see me being wheeled about like a child in a perambulator? Returning to first principles I call it. You see it's a law of my nature that I must go about. The doctor won't let me go about outside the house, so I go about inside the house. Matilda is the nurse, and I am the baby that will learn to walk one of these days. Are you tired, Matilda? No? Then give me another turn, there's a good creature. Movement, perpetual movement, is a law of nature. Oh, dear, no, doctor. I didn't make that discovery for myself. Some eminent scientific person mentioned it in a lecture. The ugliest man I ever saw. Now back again, Matilda. Let me introduce you to my friends, Father Benwell. Introducing is, out of fashion, I know. But I am one of the few women who can resist the tyranny of fashion. I like introducing people. Sir John Drone—Father Benwell. Father Benwell—Doctor Wybrow. Ah, yes, you know the doctor by reputation? Shall I give you his character? Personally charming; professionally detestable. Pardon my impudence, doctor; it is one of the consequences of the overflowing state of my health. Another turn, Matilda, and a little faster this time. Oh, how I wish I was traveling by railway.'

"There her breath failed her. She reclined in her chair and fanned herself silently for a while.

"I was now able to turn my attention to the two visitors. Sir John Drone, it was easy to see, would be no obstacle to confidential conversation with Mrs. Eyrecourt. An excellent country gentleman, with the bald head, the ruddy complexion, and the inexhaustible capacity for silence so familiar to us in English society—there you have the true description of Sir John. But the famous physician was quite another sort of man. I had only to look at him and to feel myself condemned to small talk while he was in the room.

"You have always heard of it in my correspondence whenever I have been in the wrong. I was in the wrong now—I had forgotten the law of chances. Capricious fortune after a long interval was about to declare herself again in my favor by means of the very woman who had twice already got the better of me. What a recompense for my kind inquiries after Mrs. Eyrecourt! She recovered breath enough to begin talking again.

"'Dear me, how dull you are!' she said to us. 'Why don't you amuse a poor prisoner confined to the house? Rest a little, Matilda, or you will be falling ill next. Doctor, is this your last professional visit?'

"'Promise to take care of yourself, Mrs. Eyrecourt, and I will confess that the professional visits are over. I come here to-day only as a friend.'

"'You best of men! Do me another favor. Enliven our dullness. Tell us some interesting story about a patient. These great doctors, Sir John, pass their lives in a perfect atmosphere of romance. Dr. Wybrow's consulting room is like your confessional, Father Benwell. The most fascinating sins and sorrows are poured into his ears. What is the last romance in real life, doctor, that has asked you to treat it medically? We don't want names and places—we are good children; we only want a story.

"Dr. Wybrow looked at me with a smile.

"'It is impossible to persuade ladies,' he said, 'that we, too, are father-confessors in our way. The first duty of a doctor, Mrs. Eyrecourt—'

"'Is to cure people, of course,' she interposed, in her smartest manner.

"The doctor answered seriously.

"'No, indeed. That is only the second duty. Our first duty is invariably to respect the confidence of our patients. However,' he resumed, in his easier tone, 'I happen to have seen a patient to-day under circumstances which the rules of professional honor do not forbid me to mention. I don't know, Mrs. Eyrecourt, whether you will quite like to be introduced to the scene of the story. The scene is in a madhouse.'

"Mrs. Eyrecourt broke out with a coquettish little scream and shook her fan at the doctor.

"'No horrors!' she cried. 'The bare idea of a madhouse distracts me with terror. Oh, fie, fie! I won't listen to you—I won't look at you—I positively refuse to be frightened out of my wits. Matilda! wheel me away to the furthest end of the room. My vivid imagination, Father Benwell, is my rock ahead in life. I declare I can smell the odious madhouse. Go straight to the window, Matailda; I want to bury my nose among the flowers.'

"Sir John upon this spoke for the first time. His language consisted entirely of beginnings of sentences, mutely completed by a smile.

"'Upon my word, you know. Eh, Doctor Wybrow? A man of your experience. Horrors in madhouses. A lady in delicate health. No, really. Upon my honor, now, I cannot. Something funny, oh, yes. But such a subject, oh, no.'

"He rose to leave. Doctor Wybrow gently stopped him.

"'I had a motive, Sir John,' he said, 'but I won't trouble you with needless explanations. There is a person, unknown to me, whom I want to discover. You are a great deal in society when you are in London. May I ask if you have ever met with a gentleman named Winterfield?'

"I have always considered the power of self-control as one of the strongest points in my character. When I heard that name my surprise so completely mastered me that I at first betrayed to Doctor Wybrow, as the man who could answer his question.

"In the meanwhile Sir John took his time to consider, and discovered that he had never heard of a person named Winterfield. Having acknowledged his ignorance, in his own eloquent language, he drifted away to the window-box in the next room, and gravely contemplated Mrs. Eyrecourt, with her nose buried in flowers.

"The doctor turned to me.

"'Am I wrong, Father Benwell, in supposing that I had better have addressed myself to you?'

"I admitted that I knew a gentleman named Winterfield.

"Doctor Wybrow got up directly.

"'Have you a few minutes to spare?' he asked. It is needless to say that I was at the doctor's disposal. 'My house is close by, and my carriage is at the door,' he resumed. 'When you feel inclined to say good-bye to our friend, Mrs. Eyrecourt, I have something to say to you which I think you ought to know.'

"We took our departure at once, Mrs. Eyrecourt—leaving some of the color of her nose among the flowers—patted me encouragingly with her fan, and told the doctor that he was forgiven, on the understanding that he would 'never do it again.' In five minutes more we were in Doctor Wybrow's study.

"My watch tells me that I cannot hope to finish this letter by post-time. Accept what I have written thus far, and be assured that the conclusion of my report shall follow a day later.

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"The doctor began cautiously. "Winterfield is not a very common name,' he said. 'But it may not be amiss, Father Benwell, to discover if we can whether Winterfield is the man of whom I am in search. Do you only know him by name, or are you a friend of his?'

"I answered of course that I was a friend.

"Doctor Wybrow went on. 'Will you pardon me if I venture on an indiscreet question? When you are acquainted with the circumstances, I am sure you will understand and excuse me. Are you aware of any—what shall I call it—any romantic incident in Mr. Winterfield's past life?'

"This time—feeling myself, in all probability, on the brink of discovery—I was careful to preserve my composure. I said, quietly: 'Some such incident as you describe has occurred in Mr. Winterfield's past life.' There I stopped discreetly, and looked as if I knew all about it.

"The doctor showed no curiosity to hear more. 'My object,' he went on, 'was merely to be reasonably sure that I was speaking to the right person in speaking to you. I may now tell you that I have no personal interest in trying to discover Mr. Winterfield; I only act as the representative of an old friend of mine. He is the proprietor of a private asylum at Hampstead—a man whose integrity is beyond dispute or he would not be a friend of mine. You understand my motive in saying this?'

"Proprietors of private asylums are in these days the objects of very general distrust in England. I understood the doctor's motive perfectly.

"He proceeded. 'Yesterday evening my friend called upon me and said that he had a remarkable case in his house which he believed would interest me. The person to whom he alluded was a French boy, whose mental powers had been imperfectly developed from his childhood. The mischief had been aggravated when he was about fourteen years old by a serious fright. When he was placed in the asylum he was not idiotic or dangerously mad, it was a case (not to use technical language) of deficient intelligence, tending sometimes toward acts of unreasoning mischief and petty theft, but never approaching to acts of downright violence. My friend was especially interested in the lad, won his confidence and affection by acts of kindness, and so improved his bodily health as to justify some hope of also improving the state of his mind, when a misfortune occurred which has altered the whole prospect. The poor creature has fallen ill of a fever, and the fever has developed to typhus. So far there has been little to interest you; I am coming to a remarkable event at last. At the stage of the fever when delirium usually occurs in patients of sound mind, this crazy French boy has become perfectly sane and reasonable!'

"I looked at him when he made this amazing assertion, with a momentary doubt of his being in earnest. Doctor Wybrow understood me.

"'Just what I thought, too, when I first heard it,' he said. 'My friend was neither offended nor surprised. After inviting me to go to his house and judge for myself, he referred me to a singular case, publicly cited in the *Cornhill Magazine*, for the month of April, 1879, in an article entitled, "Bodily Illness as a Mental Stimulant." The article is published anonymously; but the character of the periodical in which it appears is a sufficient guarantee of the trustworthiness of the statement. I was so far influenced by the testimony thus cited, that I drove to Hampstead and examined the case myself.'

"'Did the examination satisfy you?'

"'Thoroughly. When I saw him yesterday the poor boy was as sane as I am. There is, however, a complication in this instance, which is not mentioned in the case related in print. The boy appears to have entirely forgotten every event in his past life, reckoning from the time the fever declared itself.'

"This was a disappointment. I had begun to hope for some coming result, obtained by the lad's confession.

"'Is it quite correct to call him sane when his memory is gone?' I ventured to ask.

"'In this case there is no necessity to enter into the question,' the doctor answered. 'The boy's lapse of memory refers, as I told you, to his past life—that is to say, his life when his intellect was deranged. During the extraordinary interval of sanity that has now declared itself, he is putting his mental powers to their first free use; and none of them fail him, so far as I can see. His new memory—if I may call it so—preserves the knowledge of what has happened since his illness. You may imagine how this problem in brain disease interests me; and you will not wonder that I am going back to Hampstead tomorrow afternoon when I have done with my professional visits. But you may be reasonably surprised at my troubling you with details which are mainly interesting to a medical man.'

"Was he about to ask me to go with him to the asylum? I replied very briefly; merely saying that the details were interesting to every student of human nature. If he could have felt my pulse at that moment I am afraid he might have thought I was in a fair way of catching the fever, too.

"'Prepare yourself,' he resumed, 'for another surprising circumstance. Mr. Winterfield is, by some incomprehensible accident, associated with one of the mischievous tricks played by the French boy before he was placed under my friend's care. There, at any rate, is the only explanation by which we can account for the discovery of an envelope, found sewn up in the lining of the lad's waistcoat, and directed to Mr. Winterfield without any address.'

"I leave you to imagine the effect which those words produced on me.'

"'Now,' said the doctor, 'you will understand why I put such strange questions to you. My friend and I are both hard-working men. We go very little into society, as the phrase is; and neither he nor I ever heard the name of Winterfield. As a certain proportion of my patients happen to be people with a large experience of society, I undertook to make inquiries, so that the packet might be delivered, if possible, to the right person. You heard how Mrs. Eyrecourt (surely a likely lady to assist me?) received my unlucky reference to the madhouse; and you saw how I puzzled Sir John. I consider myself most fortunate, Father Benwell, in having had the honor of meeting you. Will you accompany me to the asylum to-morrow? And can you add to the favor by bringing Mr. Winterfield with you?'

"This last request it was out of my power—really out of my power—to grant. Winterfield had left London that morning on his visit to Paris. His address there was thus far not known to me.

"'Well, you must represent your friend,' the doctor said. 'Time is every way of importance in this case. Will you kindly call here at five to-morrow afternoon?'

"I was punctual to my appointment. We drove together to the asylum."

(To be Continued.)

BEAUTIFUL BIRDS.

From Madagascar we have the remains of eggs that were found among human implements that were a good lift for two men, and that, after being out in two, were probably used as vessels for holding water, their capacity being several gallons. The hen that laid these monster eggs is unknown to science, but must have been a wondrous spectacle. Two other birds, the solitaire and nazarene, have also become extinct within the traditions of man. The former attained a weight of forty-five pounds, had feet and beak like a turkey, but in other respects resembled the didus above mentioned. The plumage was of a brownish-gray color, and, according to De Legnat, produced a noise like a rattle by fluttering their wings, which, he says, were enlarged at the extremity of the bone into a round knob, like a musket ball. The nazarene had only three toes, and from its bones we judge that it was thrice as large as the didus. Imagine a pigeon, or a flock of them, as large as an ostrich, with hugo hooked bills, waddling along on short, stumpy legs, covered with scales, their bodies ornamented with flaunting plumes, and perhaps an idea of these strange creatures that crawled on the ground, having wings like bats, might be mentioned, but the above instances will, perhaps, serve to show some of the wonderful characteristics of the ancestors of our present birds from an evolutionary point of view.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

A bride of but four weeks died of delirium tremens in Fall River, Mass., recently.

Chief of Police Kimball of Danvers, Mass., is charged with accepting money from liquor dealers in return for not prosecuting them and giving them warning of intended raids. He claims that the charges grew out of political matters, and that he can clear himself.

Charles Hulm of Boston, a Swede has been arrested for causing his wife's death. They quarreled while under the influence of liquor, and Hulm kicked her in the abdomen, causing injuries from which she died. He admits the assault, but says he was not conscious how much force he used.

A reform platform has been formed by some of the Protestant pastors of Chicago. It contemplates fewer drinking resorts, a discrimination between those saloons and gardens in which beer alone is sold and those in which whisky and other powerful intoxicants are sold, the former to be open on Sunday from 2 to 8 p. m., and the latter not at all; the prohibition of Sunday performances in the theaters, and the destruction of the lottery business.

Isaac Van Vliet is a hotel proprietor in the town of Wawarsing, N. Y. James H. Andrews, a minor, has been in the habit of frequenting the hotel and becoming intoxicated. His father, Andrew J. Andrews, sued Van Vliet under the statute forbidding the selling of liquor to minors. The defendant claimed that Anderson had been in the habit of frequenting his hotel and calling his sons up to the bar to drink, thereby aiding in giving them an appetite for liquor and publicly sanctioning their drinking at the bar. The case was tried before Justice Childs of Ellenville, and a judgment of $10 entered against the plaintiff. The case has been appealed to the county court, and is exciting much interest among liquor dealers.

The startling statistics of the growth of drunkenness in the wine-growing countries of Europe are furnishing ammunition for the advocates of total abstinence and prohibition. In Belgium "the consumption of alcohol since 1840 has increased from 18 to 43 millions of francs, and in the industrial counties there is one dramshop for every six or seven persons. Thus, in Belgium, the working classes spend between 50 and 60 millions of francs for alcohol." And in Germany, "from October 1, 1869, to January 1, 1877, the number of inns rose from 42,612 to 59,305, or 44 per cent. and that of the drinking saloons from 62,612 to 69,305, or 11 per cent. In 1869 the percentage of inns and dramshops to the number of inhabitants was 45.75 to 100,000 inhabitants, but in 1877 it had risen to 55.88. The same enormous increase has taken place in Germany."—*N. Y. Mail.*

In New York state, the civil damage liquor act has not yet been emasculated, and occasionally affords an instructive case. John Caire of Ponghkeepsie is a teamster who spent his time in a saloon opposite his home, kept by one Gassner. Mrs. Caire forbade Gassner's selling to her husband, but he paid no attention to it. One Sunday morning Caire went to Gassner's at 6 o'clock sober, and repeatedly during the morning, coming home each time drunker, until he had smashed the furniture and dishes. Mrs. Caire again appealed to Gassner not to sell to her husband, but was laughed at and defied, and her husband went home and dragged her around the house, pounded her and kicked her. The judge charged the jury that "the fact of illegal selling being admitted, 'and also that it occurred on Sunday, the statute gave the plaintiff the right of action." The jury gave Mrs. Caire $525.

War has been begun jointly by the Catholic church and the Dominion temperance alliance, a Protestant organization in Montreal, against the liquor traffic, and particularly against restaurants. The law compels saloons to close at 11 p. m., while restaurants are allowed to be open all night. The police magistrates and the recorder, assisted by lawyers of the joint vigilance committee, are carefully examining into the character, both of the person and place of each applicant, and it is expected the number will be largely reduced. Recently, Rev. Charles Rousselot, cure or rector of Notre Dame, the largest cathedral church in Canada, preached on temperance to an audience of 10,000, and denounced saloon keepers as "vultures living upon immorality and misery. He called upon all present to sign the pledge, and to use their influence in lessening a traffic which destroys body and soul. In the afternoon the Rev. Fathers Gabin and Levesque also lectured on temperance, and large numbers signed the pledge. The population of the city is 180,000. There are within the city 450 licensed taverns, 59 unlicensed taverns, and 130 known disorderly houses, in all of which liquor is sold, besides many places not definitely known, where drink and vice predominate.

WESTERN STORMS.

Settlers in Nebraska have had a rough experience this winter. One of them writes of a neighbor's having had a child die during a violent storm and being unable to bury it for over a week, it being impossible to get through the deep snow with it. When the farmers rode to town to get the mail or groceries they invariably took shovels along to dig a way out in case their horse got stuck. The early arrival of winter took many farmers by surprise, and a large quantity of corn was left in the fields, of which urgent need has since been had.

PROPERLY REWARDED.

During the war, William H. Augur, a Union soldier, helped three sisters who were in great distress at their despoiled home in Virginia. At the death of the last of them, some years ago, it was provided that the estate should be kept in trust for certain missing heirs until 1881, and then, if they were not found, be given to Augur, who had returned to his family at Meriden, Conn. The time has now expired, the heirs have not appeared, and Augur is to receive $100,000.

MEXICAN PROGRESS.

PROSPECTIVE MARKET FOR AMERICAN GOODS.

Those who have given any attention to affairs in Mexico must have noticed what a wonderful change has come over the Mexican people, or some of them at least, with regard to the Americans. What is most remarkable about this change of sentiment that it has taken place so suddenly—within the last five or six years. Previous to that time the Mexicans, even the better educated, were of the opinion that all the "Gringo" lacked to be a successful business rival of his Satanic majesty was a spiked tail and a few horns.

It may be remarked, incidentally, that the Mexicans, particularly those living near the boundary, were not entirely without cause for their surmise, for there have been not a few Americans living on the Rio Grande who, whenever they took a few "horns" of the liquid description, behaved in a manner that was liable to create suspicion that they were duly accredited representatives of the wicked one. But the antipathy to everything American was not confined to the Mexicans living in the border states of Mexico. Their public speakers and their newspapers never let an opportunity pass to get in a blow at the hated Americans. The most popular man was the one who could abuse the Gringoes most fluently. It is not impossible to conceive that some of the most prominent Mexican celebrities on the border stole horses from this side of the river, not for the sake of the pecuniary profit, but to acquire popularity for having injured the Gringoes, and to be regarded as patriots by their countrymen.

The more American horses or cattle a Mexican stole, the more he was venerated for having, in a measure at least, "got even" with the Americans for occupying the City of Mexico. There was the great patriot Nepomuceno Cortina, who was a general in the regular army. At one time he was the most popular man in the border states of Mexico, and the secret of his popularity was the regularity with which he murdered Americans and took charge of their movable assets. In former times hatred to the Americans was the principal stock in trade of the thrifty Mexican politician. The official, who by his acts or sayings, official or otherwise, could be suspected of not hating the Gringo as cordially as the devil is supposed to dislike holy water, was a doomed man. But now all that is changed.

A large proportion of the Mexican population cannot be accused of thinking for themselves. They are not acquainted with the alphabet, and would not know what it was if it were shown to them with a magic-lantern, and consequently there is a limit to the amount of political information they derive from the what few newspapers are published in their country. The educated class of Mexicans, on the other hand, are very well educated. The public men of Mexico can hold their own with those of almost any other country in the world, and to them the lower classes look for light and instruction.

The public men of Mexico, or the majority of them, no longer regard the Americans as a race of filibusters. The idea that the American people did nothing except to lay plans to absorb Mexico has died out. American capital is pouring into Mexico, and American enterprise is welcomed to develop the varied resources of the country. As a consequence, there is every prospect that both countries will be immensely profited by mutually beneficial commercial relations. The fact that Mexico has demonstrated her ability to suppress revolutions, maintain order, and pay her debts, has been in the nature of an agreeable surprise to the civilized world, and now that the border troubles have ceased to exist, there is no reason why the two republics should not walk side by side in the great march of human progress.—*Galveston News.*

HOT MEALS.

WHAT LONDON IS DOING FOR LABORERS.

Recently the lord mayor inspected the barrows and other plant of the hot food street supply association, which was inaugurated under the following circumstances: The poorer class of laborers at the docks and in large manufacturing works in and about London have long experienced great difficulty in procuring hot ready-prepared provisions close to their work at a low price. In order to meet this want, and also to give employment to a considerable number of persons, it had been suggested to organize an association with the object of putting on a number of barrows or trucks fitted to contain a heating apparatus, &c., moving from place to place as desired, supplying hot soup, bread, and other provisions at the lowest price and of the best quality.

It had been found that each barrow, including all fittings, could be supplied at about £7 10s., and that a three-quarter pint basin of hot soup and a slice of bread could be sold for one penny, leaving a sufficient margin to pay the attendant on the barrow and other expense. It was also intended that tinned meats, made hot and sold in slices very cheap, should be added to the menu of the company. A laboring man might thus, without having resort to charity or public soup-kitchens, purchase a good hot meal, close to his work, for 1d. or 2d.

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NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS.

CENTRE HARBOR.

The return of spring brings an impulse to put our buildings in order, not only for ourselves but for the expected visitors. Preparations are already begun, such as re-shingling, painting, etc.

Mr. Hunter, of the Senter House, has removed the doors from 30 rooms and supplied their places with those containing ventilators.

Sugar parties are in order just now. S. F. Emery has given one for the young people, also another for the band.

R. L. Coe invited all the members of the Sabbath School to a sugaring off, which was largely attended.

The work of death still goes on. Mrs. Philip Kelley, an aged lady, died of paralysis on the 26th, and Thomas O'Brien of erysipelas, on the 29th inst. Mr. O'Brien was in the strength and vigor of manhood, was ill only three days and never was sick before in his life.

Mrs. Freeman Howe presented her husband with a pair of twin boys on the 27th. SCRIPSI.

DORCHESTER.

Lyman Kimball of Weutworth has sold his farm at North Dorchester to Kirk Burnham.

Chauncy Whicher had two children die with diphtheria last week. Mr. and Mrs. Whicher have the sympathy of the entire community as that dreadful disease has left them childless.

Etta Hobbs is sick with the measles.

Sylvester Clough was severely hurt by a fall while at work in Brown's saw mill a few days since.

Mrs. Mary Colburn has moved into the house on the flats.

The sugaring business will not be carried on to any great extent until after the blow out which is now expected to be about June 2.

The sleighing is good here yet where the snow is not too deep, while our neighbors at West Rumney are laboring under the inconvenience of sledding on bare ground. They have our sympathy, though we never as yet have known by experience how to pity them.

One lone robin has made his appearance among us but he left.

Taylor Reed has been quite sick for several weeks.

I send you a specimen of some cotton that I have just been manufacturing into thread from what appeared to be a rock. It is said the stuff now on sale, made of the fabric can be cleansed by putting them into the fire where they will come out as good as new. TABITHA ANN.

RUMNEY.

If the directors of the B. C. & M. R. R. could have seen an elderly lady from Lisbon do a "go as you please" from Quincy's station to the crossing after having left the train on the day of the special meeting of the stockholders, I think they would have been willing to mortgage the road for enough in addition to move that station to the crossing. What has become of that petition?

The Dramatic club of district No. 7 gave an entertainment at the school house on Thursday evening, the 24th. The drama was the principal piece, entitled "Never to die." Readings, tableaux, declamations, music, both vocal and instrumental, were included in the programme and were all received with applause by the audience.

George Keyes left on Monday for New York where he is employed by the Bailey Ice Co. He is a member of the "Division" as well as the "Dramatic Club" and will be much missed in Rumney, especially in district No. 7.

Elder Calvin Bailey is about removing with his wife to New York but not with the intention of a permanent residence in that city. They will take with them the best wishes of the community for a pleasant sojourn and a safe return.

Our well known butcher, Asa K. George, has sold out his interest in that business to Stephen Avery. If Mr. Avery can give as good satisfaction to the community as his predecessor we shall be satisfied. Mr. George never forgot an order and always remembered the dog. D.

LINCOLN.

We think the West Campton correspondent does not rise as highly of prohibiting the liquor from the town as Mrs. Hayes did in banishing the wine cup from the table of the White House. If he did he surely would not speak so lightly of the temperance band of that place.

Mr. Harry B. Huckins of Bethlehem is visiting his friends in town. Hope they will make his stay a pleasant one.

The temperance Band of Hope met at L. E. Guernsey's Wednesday night of last week. Their officers were chosen which consisted of the following: president, Isa M. Hanson; vice president, William E. Pollard; superintendent, Inez E. Guernsey; secretary, Geo. L. Boyce. Eleven more signed the pledge and all is now prospering in Lincoln.

THUNDERBOLT.

BRIDGEWATER.

The voters in district No. 3 held their annual school meeting the 28th inst. R. J. Pillsbury, moderator; D. S. Batchelder, committee and clerk. Voted to use one third of the school money for a summer school commencing the first Monday in May. The later to commence Oct. 22. Decided to raise $150.00 towards paying for the new school house. Adjourned.

F. A.

WENTWORTH.

Friday, the 25th, Mr. Levi W. Davis had three fingers and a portion of the right hand cut off by the planing machine in the Nutting mill, from the effects of which he is suffering severely.

Mr. Alvah Kimball is soon to move into the house now occupied by Mr. A. Jassemine. TEMPLAR.

WOODSTOCK.

R. B. Tucker is on the sick list, and many have bad colds.

Daniel Dearborn has made 675 lbs. of maple sugar and sent it to market. It brings a good price and lots more is wanted.

T. V. Smith's four-ox team has drawn 101,000 feet of spruce lumber to the river this winter.

Mrs. Daniel Dearborn has a nice lot of young chickens.

Mrs. H. I. Wyatt has a mammoth pink oxalis that has been in bloom all winter. COR.

We have had very cold weather for the past week.

W. E. Hunt has been to Franklin on a visit to relations and friends.

Sleighing is nearly exhausted.

Before disputing other correspondents will Mr. Justus Conrad please consult the town's people in regard to fighting and drinking at our town meetings.

N. T. Dwyer, who has been at work at Concord, Vt., the past winter, has returned home.

The Pemigewasset Literary Society met at T. J. Gilman's last Tuesday evening.

In a letter received from George A. Campbell, (who has been travelling in the West for two years but has spent the past winter in Laramie City, Wyoming Territory, where he has sent to and received weekly communications from his home) dated March 20, he says: "There is a flood of water over the railroad in Nebraska, disabling about 200 miles of it. Some places for 20 miles the entire track is, and has been for more than a week, entirely out of sight. Every thing from the East has to be brought by a longer route so I have not received any news from home this week."

School meeting was held in district No. 5, March 23. The following officers were chosen: moderator, George R. Pattee; prudential committee, John F. Emmons; clerk, Joseph W. Campbell. Voted to raise $30.00 towards repairing the school house. E.

After the long spell of warm weather Old Boreas is again visiting us, very forcibly reminding us that March is not a summer month.

T. V. Smith has four oxen that have drawn to the river 100,987 feet of spruce lumber the past winter. J. H. Smith drove the team and Mr. Thomas Gray cut and helped haul it, traveling most of the time four miles night and morning; he also sawed his own wood and assisted in taking care of his horse, 2 cows, 8 yearlings, 2 sheep and a hog. If there is a more hardy or enterprising man than Mr. Gray in the Pemigewasset valley let us hear from him.

The Baptist people have secured the services of Rev. M. P. Favor as pastor for the term of one year. He commenced his labors March 6.

Sugar making has frozen up.

Mr. Albert Barnard is no better. Mr. William Jones is improving slowly. Mr. Morrill Smith who is sick with cancer is failing fast. S.

THORNTON,

A sleigh ride came off from Mad River street, on March 30th, worth noting. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Greeley with Miron and Phania as guests, took a double team and drove to Waterville where the sleighing was simply excellent; went up S. A. Drake's logging road to its terminus, under and northeast of "Noon Peak;" thence returned to Mr. Charles Joslyn's home in the forest where we had a very pleasant picnic dinner, a rest; and then away for home, having enjoyed a delightful sleigh ride of not less than twelve miles—beside the Mad River end of the drive, not so enjoyable. This ride utilized the 130th day of unbroken sleighing here, a figure no one of the party ever saw before, and, in all human probability, will never see again—though this seems far enough from the end of the present season in Waterville.

The Mad River Reading club had a usually successful meeting at "The Larches," on March 29th; on April 5th the meeting is to be with Mr. and Mrs. George Jenkins; on the 12th with Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Greeley.

Two funerals in town last Sunday, and much sickness prevailing, several cases in serious danger; but her many friends will be glad to know that Mrs. H. F. Durgin is likely to recover from her long and severe illness.

It strikes ordinary perceptions that a clergyman should so live among his people as to be blameless, and above calumny, as far as outgushing evil doing is concerned. MIRON.

There were no services held at the Thornton meeting house last Sunday in consequence of the pastor having two funerals to attend.

We have been having quite cold weather for a week past, which has seriously interfered with sugar making. E.

ASHLAND.

At the annual meeting of the Ashland Brass Band the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: leader and director, Edward Sweeney; clerk, Earl P. Harrington; treasurer, Thomas H. Cox; executive committee, Daniel Bowen, Jr., Charles M. Hodgdon, and John C. Hughes. O.

Abel Mitchell has bought the Stephen Mitchell property for $1700.

The Sons of Temperance had a sugar party Thursday night of last week and the G. A. R. on Saturday.

Allan B. Shepard had his auction sale at the Town Hall on Friday of last week.

Mrs. E. A. Smith, widow of the late J. M. Smith, has also had an auction and is to move away.

James Graffum, carriage and sleigh maker, has moved into Gerald's building by the depot. L.

WEST RUMNEY.

Ella Bradbury died last Saturday with that horrid disease diphtheria. She was sick only a little over three days. Her age was 14 years and 5 days.

At a special meeting of the Universalist parish Tuesday the 29th, it was voted to accept the resignation of Rev. H. S. Fiske with the deepest regret. Adjourned to meet again on April 7, at two o'clock in the afternoon at the church at West Rumney.

CAMPTON.

There is to be a meeting of the stock holders of the Campton and Plymouth Telephone Co. at the Black Mountain House on April 9, 1881, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to choose officers and do such other business as may properly come before the meeting. Fail not to attend.

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Lard, lb.,	10	10	
Potatoes, bu.,	50	60	
Pork, lb.,		7	
Hides, lb.,		7	
Calfskins, each,	40	60	
Sheepskins,	40	80	
Honey, lb.,	20	30	
Tobacco, lb.,	40	1 00	
Prune, yd.,	6	16	
Cot. Cloth, yd.,	5	12	
Candles, lb.,	12	17	
Shorts, 100 lbs.,		1 40	
Flannel, yd.,	90	1 00	
Straw, 100 lbs.,		55	
Rye, bu.,		85	
Pollock,		3	
Fresh Cod,	3	7	
Hams, smoked,	12	14	
Geese,	8	12	
Salt coarse, box		60	
	10	25	
Oysters, per qt.,	25	30	
Mackerel,	3	8	

Dried Apples, lb.,	3	5	
Wood, cord,	3 50	5 00	
Tallow, lb.,		6	
Maple Sugar, lb.,	9	11	
Hay, ton,		14 00	
Corn, bu		70	
Oats, bu.,		40	
Flour, bbl.,	5 50	9 50	
Corn meal, 100 lbs.,	1 40		
Pork, salt,	6	8	
Molasses,	40	75	
Vinegar,		25	
Wood, sawn, lb.,		3	
Sugar, lb.,	8	13	
Cider, bbl.,	1 50	6 00	
Screenings, gal.,	17	20	
Tea, lb.,	25	75	
Coffee, Rio, lb.,	17	25	
" Java, lb.,	25	35	
Mutton,	4	7	
Raisins,	10	20	
Pollock,	2	3	
Turkeys, lb.,	10	15	
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In Bellows Falls, Vt., March 2, Forrest B. Barrett and Josie E. Scott, both of Stoddard, N. H.

In Lyndon, Vt., March 2, T. C. Hartwell of Haverhill, N. H., and Mrs. Nellie L. Wood of Lyndon, Vt.

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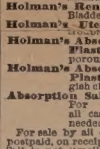

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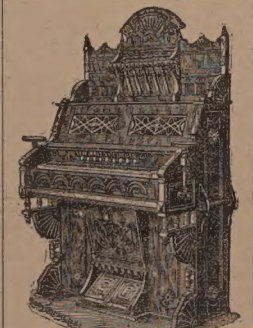

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SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Transient advertisements as follows: Houses, Land or other property Wanted, or For Sale or Hire; Help Wanted; Situations Wanted; Poetry Lost or Found; Board or Rooms Wanted or To Let, will be inserted in this column at the rate of ONE HALF OF ONE CENT PER WORD for each insertion, if paid in advance.

☞Local notices will be published among the reading matter under any head for one cent per word each week. Nothing published for less than 25 cents.

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Is prepared to receive a few additional pupils for

PIANO AND SINGING.

☞Terms on application.

Plymouth, N. H, March 24, 1881. mar24jesf.

FOR SALE.—In Plymouth, for less than $500. One large two-story House in fair condition, suitable for two families; 3-4 acre land go with the house. A good chance for any one. Plenty of work in the neighborhood. Apply at THIS OFFICE. mar3jesf.*

HOUSEWORK GIRL WANTED.—For a good family in Manchester. Call at THIS OFFICE. mar25jesf.

CARDS.—12 beautiful Chrome, 15c.; 25 Transparent, 15c.; 25 Mixed, 10c.; 50 Embossed White or Tinted Bristol, 20c.; with name nicely printed on all. A. L. STEVENS, P. O. Box 243, Claremont, N. H. mar16jesly

HORSES.—Parties wishing to purchase good working and roading horses cheap, should at once call on J. M. COTTON, Squam Lake House, Ashland, N. H. mar11jesf

MR. H. H. MCQUESTEN.—Watchmaker and Jeweler, would be pleased to see his many friends and customers at the store of L. G. HULL, next door to the post-office. mar11jesf

FOR SALE.—On Baker's river, the farm known as the Amos Clark Farm. Any one wishing for terms or information, call or address, Mrs. LUCRETIA CLARK, West Plymouth, N. H. mar1jez3m*

WANTED.—Save your horse hides and colt Skins; you can get a good price for them at Webster Russell & Co's store Plymouth N. H. *mar 18 jes 1t.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—A good 4-horse freight wagon, almost new. H. L. THURSTON, Campton Village, N. H. mar3jesf

FOR SALE.—Two Show Cases in Black Walnut frames, four feet and three feet in length. Both in good condition and will be sold cheap for cash. J. F. HARIMAN, Town Hall Drug Store, Plymouth. mar3tf

FOR SALE—The Russell Place consisting of 100 acres of land in East Pasture, Woodland and Village, cuts 50 tons of good hay. Has Brick House, three Barns, Woodshed, &c., situate about four and one-half miles from Plymouth Village. Price $1,250. Address "FARM," care of REPUBLICAN STAR, Plymouth.

AGENTS WANTED for the Best and Fastest-Selling Pictorial Books and Bibles. Prices reduced 33 per cent. National Publishing Co., Philadelphia, Pa. mar3 3m

WANTED.—First-class agents to know that Wiley can make profitable the DAWES'S COMPENDIUM OF FORMS, EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL, LEGAL AND COMMERCIAL," than any other book published. It has a fortune for agents in itself. Sells on sight. Every body must have a copy. Choice territory open. Full information sent free. Address, MARTIN GARRISON & CO., 79 Milk St., Boston. Gov. Nati Head says, "It surpasses any book of the kind I have ever seen; is a complete library in itself." feb25jesm*

WANTED.—All persons having chapped hands, sore lips, rough skin, pimples or blotches on the face or any skin affection to try DAWES' POMADE, and you will use no other. Price 25c, per jar. Your druggist has it. d14jes3m

WANTED.—First-class agents on RIDATH'S HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES; the best edition published. M. GARRISON & CO., 79 Milk St., Boston. feb25jesm*

COTTAGE HOUSE FOR SALE.—In East Concord, N. H. for $1,500, painted white, green blinds, stable, 1-2 acre of land. Will exchange for country property. At this office. feb18jesf

FOR SALE.—In Plymouth village, a newly built House on elevated ground and abutting to the main street, containing seven rooms with usual conveniences; woodshed, barn and running water. Price, $1000 cash. Address, "BUSINESS," Box 99, Plymouth. feb16tf

PATENT RIGHTS.—For sale. Over 20 states and territories. Small, handsome, cheap, universal use. Territory low. C. P. KIMBALL, Plymouth, N. H.

WOOD WANTED.—At this office for subscriptions or cash. n13jes

LITERARY.—Stories, Poetry and other literary matter introduced to publishers for 50 cents and upwards for each article. Stamps taken. LITERARY BUREAU, Box 240, Plymouth, N. H. jan6jesf

WANTED.—Glove makers in Ashland and vicinity. Call at BLODGETT GLOVE CO.'S TANNERY. jan2jesf

SUBSCRIPTIONS.—May be paid at THIS OFFICE by sawing wood, etc. jan6jesf

FARM WANTED.—Wanted to hire a farm on shares or alone, at THIS OFFICE. mar17jesf

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FOR SALE.—New 2-story House and Stable, in Plymouth Village. Call at THIS OFFICE. d10jesf

JOURNAL, EAGLE and STAR for sale at J. S. Tufts' Drug Store, Plymouth.

WATCH.—A Good Watch for $5.00. Call at THIS OFFICE. d10jesf

STEREOTYPE PLATES, reading matter, wanted at this office on exchange or for cash. d28jes-tf.

LITERARY.—Persons of a literary taste furnished with congenial employment at home for spare hours. BOX 240, Plymouth, N. H. jan2jesf

TENEMENTS AND ROOMS.—To let. Situations procured and Help furnished. Real Estate and Personal Property bought and sold. Call at this office. d3jesf

FARM FOR SALE.—200 acres. House with blinds, shed and barn connected. Summer boarders have been kept with good success. Running water and many conveniences. Sugar and apple orchards. Only a few miles from Plymouth, in a pleasant and picturesque location. Call at THIS OFFICE. d3jesf

FOR SALE.—A large 2-story house on Main street for sale or exchange. d24jes-tf

FARM FOR SALE.—In Thornton. Call at THIS OFFICE. d24jesf

CHURNS AND PLOWS.—The Celebrated Blanchard Churns and Wadleigh Plows sold at MASON, WEEKS & CO.'S, Plymouth. d6jesf

PROPERTY.—Advertised for nothing, by the Plymouth Real Estate Agency, THIS OFFICE. jan7jesf

PICTURES.—Some fine steel engravings, chromos, lithographs, etc., framed and unframed for sale low at THIS OFFICE. feb17jesf

CRYSTALLINE PICTURES.—From a common photograph, only $5.00, including a beautiful velvet frame. See samples in Plymouth Post Office, L. C. Hulfe, and Mason, Weeks & Co.'s stores feb17jesf

ROOMS TO LET.—In Tufts' Block Plymouth, suitable for glove makers, professional gentlemen, dress makers, milliners, tenements, etc. Rent low. Enquire at TUFTS DRUG STORE. n13jes

P. O. BOXES.—To let in Plymouth Post office. d24jesf

PUBLICATIONS.—Daily, Weekly, Semi-Weekly, Monthly and Quarterly Publications of all kinds, for 1881, for sale much be low regular rates, at THIS OFFICE. d3jesf

PETS—Squirrel and other pets wanted. Call at THIS OFFICE. jan6jesf

PEWS.—To let or sell in the Methodist Church, Plymouth. Enquire of ALVIN BURLEIGH, j.-n6sf

REVOLVER.—A heavy 38 Revolver, $10. A 22, $7. Both silver plated and in good condition. Call at THIS OFFICE. d10jesf

FOR SALE.—Type Writer, Oil Stove Pedometer and Sewing Machine, all new, a THIS OFFICE. d24jesf

CORD AND PAPER.—Strong Hemp Cord for bundles, and Heavy Wrapping Paper for undersizing carpets, etc., at THIS OFFICE. d10jesf

BOARD.—At a moderate figure, may be obtained by addressing X, care of REPUBLICAN STAR, Plymouth. n28tf

A LIBERAL PRICE will be paid for the Directors' First Report of the B. C. & M. R. R.—1847, or the loan of the same. C. M. KIMBALL, Plymouth, N. H. n9jes

FARM FOR SALE.—100 acres, rich soil. Four miles from Plymouth Village. Will keep 20 head of cattle. Price, $1,000. Call at THIS OFFICE. n10 jes-tf

PRINTERS, ATTENTION.—A steady, industrious young man of ten years' experience in all departments, wants employment. Can also act as foreman, reporter, correspondent, proof-reader or editor. References given. TYPO, Plymouth, N. H.

WANTED.—In every town and village of New Hampshire an active agent to introduce a fast selling and profitable article required in every house, store, etc. Enclose stamp to Box 99, Plymouth, N. H., for full particulars of previous experience. n13jes tf

FARM TO LET.—For the season. At THIS OFFICE. mar2jesf

SEEDS.—Flower and Vegetable Seeds for sale at THIS OFFICE. Numerous varieties. mar10jesf

TO NEW SBSCRIBERS.—All new subscribers to this paper are entitled to $1.00 worth of Flower Seeds on paying $1.00 for the paper. mar10jesf

FOR SALE.—One new and one second-hand Buggy. Apply to R. J. KENT, Plymouth, N. H. mar31jesf

APPRENTICE WANTED AT THIS OFFICE. A boy or young man preferred. mar4jesf

OXEN.—Pair of good working oxen for sale; also a three inch farm wagon, sugar wagon and harness. JAMES M. HART, Plymouth, N. H. ap1jes0w*

LEGAL ADVERTISING.

Our friends are informed that in selecting medium for the insertion of legal advertisements, this paper offers the same facilities, at as low a price, as any newspaper issued in the State. It is optional with parties to order their notices to appear in such newspapers as they may be pleased to favor.

NOTICE.

This is to certify that my wife has left my bed and board without due cause or provication, and I hereby forbid any persons harboring or trusting her on my account after this date.

NAPOLEON CAMERY.
Plymouth, N. H., March 14, 1881. 3t*

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been only appointed administrator of the estate of Ezekiel Hunkins late of Plymouth in the county of Grafton, deceased; and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

Dated at Plymouth, March 29, 1881.

E. H. GOVE, Administrator.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

The subscriber having been appointed by Judge of Probate, for the county of Grafton, Commissioner to examine and allow the claims of the creditors to the estate of Eliza Foot, late of Warren, in said county, deceased, represented insolvent, and six months from the 19th day of February, A. D. 1881, being allowed for that purpose, hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duties assigned him at the late residence of the said Deceased, in Campton, on Tuesday, the tenth day of May, and on Tuesday, the tenth day of August, A. D. 1881, from ten o'clock in the forenoon to four o'clock in the afternoon on each of said days.

DAVID H. SMITH, Commissioner,
Dated the 18th day of March, A. D. 1881.

TWENTY-NINTH

Annual Report

—OF THE—

MASSACHUSETTS

MUTUAL LIFE

INSURANCE CO.

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1880.

E. W. BOND, President.
JOHN A. HALL, Secretary.

Receipts in 1880	$1,165,263 59
Disbursements	901,158 21
Assets	7,606,941 48
Liabilities	6,301,198 98
Surplus by Massachusetts Standard

A Well Known Lady

ESCAPES THE GRAVE, AND PRAYS FOR HER DELIVERER.

SPASMS.

Mrs. S. A. McIlwain, of Fergusonville, Delaware county, N. Y., writes: "Only a few days before I commenced using the 'Favorite Remedy,' in one of my spasms and sinking spells, my friends thought I was dead, and gave up the attempt to restore me to consciousness. I am confident that if I had not taken your medicine 'Favorite Remedy,' during my periods of critical illness I should never have recovered.

* * * * * That the Lord may bless you and increase your means of doing good is my daily prayer, and may many yet unborn praise the 'Favorite Remedy' and its discoverer."

THE RUBY RIVER.

To keep the blood pure is the principal end of inventions and discoveries in medicine. To this object probably no one has contributed more signally than Dr. David Kennedy, of Rondout, N. Y., in the production of a medicine which has become famous under the title of the "Favorite Remedy." It removes all *impurities* of the Blood, regulates the disordered Liver and Kidneys, cures Constipation, Dyspepsia, and all diseases and weaknesses peculiar to Females.

☞When inquiring of your druggist for this new medicine, avoid mistakes by remembering the name, Dr. David Kennedy's "Favorite Remedy," and the price which is only one dollar a bottle, and that the doctor's address is Rondout, New York.—*Ed.*

G. H. H. SILSBY & SON,

(Successors to Morrill & Silsby,)

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BLANK - BOOKS,

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We desire to engage for the coming season competent

COAT MAKERS,

A permanent situation and the highest wages given to desirable work women.

Address stating experience, &c.,

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Successors to Woodward, Baker & Co.,

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In greater variety than ever before, consisting in part of Jewelry, Majolica, Japanese, Silver Plated and Willow Wares, Photo & Auto Albums, Dolls, Dolls' Bodies and Heads, Perambulators, Brackets, Work Boxes, Stationery Boxes, Desks, Specie Bags, Velvet and Ebony Frames, Picture Frames, Pictures Framed, Statuary, Pocket Books, Pocket and Table Cutlery, Vases, Toilet Sets, Work Stands and Baskets, Sleds, Carts, Children's Furs, and a great variety of Toys, at

The 99c. Store,

OPERA HOUSE BLOCK, CONCORD, N. H.
d17jely2t G. L. HOOPER.

ARLINGTON HOUSE

(ON EUROPEAN PLAN,)

P. A. Roberts, Proprietor,

Cor. Causeway & Canal Sts., BOSTON.

Nearly opp. Fitchburg and Eastern Depots.

SUPERIOR ROOMS AND BEDS,

50c., 75c. and $1.00.

Ladies' and Gents' Dining Rooms. Open Sundays. Baggage taken from Depot free. n28-ie-1y

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REAL ESTATE BROKERS.

Loans on Real Estate effected.

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Estates managed. Stocks for sale.

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W. E. POTTER, Manager.

BRANCH OFFICE:

Smyth's Block, Manchester, N. H.

D. F. SMALL, Manager.

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We make a specialty in Farms. Exchanges made in all parts of New England.

Established 1847.

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Manufacturer of and Dealer in

Sash, Doors and Blinds, Window Frames, Mouldings, Brackets, Stair Rails, &c.

Birch and Fancy Wood Floors got out to order

SCHOOL HOUSE FURNITURE,

Apothecary Cases and Drawers. Packing Cases, Hosiery Boards, &c.

LACONIA, N. H.

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CENTRAL HOUSE,

LACONIA, N. H,

Is a very desirable hotel for permanent and transient boarders and also for commercial travelers, as it is the nearest to the depot and most convenient to all business centres. The house is attractive and guests are always well served at the table. MRS. M. H. FERNALD, Proprietor. J. D. Smith, Manager.

Meredith Eagle.

ISSUED BY THE

Eagle Publishing Company,

Subscriptions and other matters will be attended to at the Meredith Post Office.

Bill Heads, Letter Heads, Envelopes, Cards, Statements, Hand Bills and all similar printing $1.00 for 500—$2.00 for 1,000. Posters and the like equally as low. Specimens sent free. Work guaranteed to be as good as samples. Good Stock, Good Work. Satisfaction guaranteed. Call at, or address Meredith Post Office.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1881.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THE EAGLE VERSUS THE NEWS.

We are under great obligations to the *News* for issuing an extra devoted especially to us last week, but we regret that the back side of the sheet, which is about a foot square, was left blank, while one column on the other was filled with an advertisement of his unapproachable paper. We are surprised that he could not have furnished cheap talk enough to have filled the remainder of the sheet, for his facts were exhausted some time ago.

We endorse the circular printed by the *News* as correct with the exception that the publications referred to have changed their form somewhat since it was issued. In all other respects we uphold it, and are prepared to defend its statements at all times and under all circumstances, and can prove them by the office records. We claim it is a clear, comprehensive and truthful statement of the condition of a paper that has been established less than a year, and as such is a creditable showing. Neither of the other publications can reveal any such figures and that is what troubles their so-called proprietors. A great deal of breath is wasted by some people because a paper is published in a way different from theirs, and is consequently superior in size, amount of reading matter, manner of printing and other characteristics of a live paper. The subscriber aims to get the best for his money that he can, as in everything else, and he is not deluded by any false appeals from those who produce an inferior article.

We are not afraid of having that circular published, but on the contrary, most earnestly desire it, as that and the continued attacks of numerous papers are making a sensation that will render the EAGLE more widely known, so that future canvassers of ours will have less trouble in introducing it. For this reason we are anxious to be noticed by as many papers as possible especially about the lake, for we believe with Barnum, the prince of advertisers, in all kind of advertising, especially when we can get so much for nothing.

We don't indulge as much blackguardism as others, nor does the community that reads both sides disbelieve our statements. Some people, insignificant themselves, already begin to fear danger. Too bad! We do value our time more highly than some other people who only half digest a few facts and then draw erroneous conclusions therefrom. We don't need to ascertain the standing of the *News* as we have been pretty well informed by certain citizens of Meredith who consider it of very little account in any respect. Your ideas of publishing a newspaper cheaply are decidedly at variance with all printers, as well as common sense, for it makes some difference whether you print one page at a time or all at once, or set up one page and then be obliged to wait for lack of type till it is run off. Any business man can see the force of this. Some people are irritated because a newspaper combines the excellences of several, but the readers are only the more pleased. All the items we would be able to steal from certain newspapers wouldn't be missed by anybody unless he had a microscope, and then a powerful one would be needed. One doctor of the same name is sufficient for Meredith as it is sickly enough now, but we should expect to see the grave yard enlarged if a certain youth went into the killing business. None believe the glowing financial condition of the *News* as lately set forth, for their own observations teach them better. We do not force advertising or subscriptions upon an unwilling public as do others, and when a party is done with us we do as he desires and try to settle with him or her in a mutually satisfactory manner. If we have unintentionally injured any one by over charging, wrongfully dunning and the like, we are ready to give satisfaction. Our readers must remember that our manager was a little obscure in his accounts, as he attended to the subscriptions and advertising so that possibly there may have been some unintentional errors, as we were not personally acquainted with the parties and the facts in many cases. As will be seen by the circular, we do not claim a huge circulation, for the paper is young, but our subscribers express no dissatisfaction and stand by us well. If we are to believe your statements about the stoppage of subscriptions, its circulation would be several hundred less than nothing. As you seem to be anxious for another circular, we shall probably issue one for your and some other's benefit. We don't depend on a parent's bank account as you always have, neither was our capital acquired by exorbitant charges for doubtful medical services rendered the poor and unfortunate, but it was well earned in a distant city by honest labor such as you never knew and never will. Your bank account wont be as large as it has been either, if you spend that $2,000 you threatened to use in crushing out Robie. If it requires that amount to destroy him, think of what it will demand to get away with the EAGLE. A small fortune will be required, and then the task would be accomplished with considerable difficulty. Nobody loses anything on our account, nor, will, but we rather think some one will on yours as they have already done. Some people's memories are rather treacherous about attempted sales of printing offices, while others are not. That youth who wasn't able to run the EAGLE alone would have found that play compared with carrying on his present enterprise even if he did undertake both willingly for he will soon be obliged to give up one as he did the other. We find no trouble in carrying the EAGLE along, and can do it for some time longer without injuring any bank account. It can stand a good many shooting matches of the kind that some would get up, and still we say, "Let the EAGLE Scream!"

MEREDITH MATTERS.

T. S. Moses is having his house painted.

Elwin Swain is school committee for Districts 9 and 10.

Edwin Cate has been sawing shingles for Marshall & Co.

Will Mooney, in the employ of J. W. Beede & Co., has been sick.

Officers of Mechanics' band will be elected next Thursday evening.

It is rumored that Wadleigh Plow building is to be made into a knitting mill.

Mrs. John Clifton has a pair of her wedding hose that are over 50 years old.

H. S. Dustin has recently received a fine bouquet from Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Seavey.

A good sidewalk is needed between the Town Hall and Bickford & Roberts' store.

James Bartlett lately tipped over with a load of potatoes somewhat injuring his sleigh.

Alden Dias' youngest son, who recently ran against a stone wall while sliding, has recovered.

Mrs. T. J. Hunt, of Gilford, now stopping in town, has a slice of her wedding cake which is nearly 50 years old.

J. L. Lawrence, who was wounded in the army, was confined to the house for many days in consequence of it recently.

We are anxiously awaiting that "perfectly clear and honest letter, which will carry conviction to every person concerned." See *Meredith News*.

People who know nothing about the newspaper business and lend money to others that they may embark in it, will some day repent of their folly.

The editor of the *Review* has not yet been manly enough to return that deplicate subscription book of ours or remit that small sum of money, and we doubt if he will.

Although the *Review* and the *News* object to other papers borrowing items, they do not hesitate to practice the same themselves, even from the papers they abuse.

Water street is to be run through J. W. Beede's land as far as the lake shore, while High street is to be extended somewhat by Col. Stevens, so that some good building lots will be thrown upon the market soon.

We hope that the Meredith correspondent of the Laconia *Democrat* was satisfied in regard to the true inwardness of our rival papers by their contents last week. There is liable to be satisfaction of that kind for some time to come.

We join with S. H. Robie in advising our readers to look out for his next issue. We hope he will not be afraid to publish that circular, but are rather doubtful about it. If he can give that full history he knows more than we do about the subject.

The 25th marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Seavey was observed on Friday evening of last week. A poem was read by Mrs. Dr. Carey, S. W. Rollins played the piano and H. S. Dustin, the violin. There was a good number present, the festivities were enjoyable and an excellent repast was served, while numerous presents of silver were bestowed.

The celebration of the wooden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Brown, on the 5th, was a pleasant affair. Over 60 were present and all were well entertained. Frank H. Champlin, banjo and H. L. Odell, violin, furnished music Mrs. Cutting served an excellent supper and J. N. Sanborn, Esq., remarried the happy hosts. He also presented about $50.00 worth of appropriate and valuable gifts.

We are doing very well in paying our town debt. Twenty years ago there were nearly $300 in the treasury. The war and other causes ran it up to $41,000 in 1865, at its close, and $53,000 in 1869, its highest point. In 1873, principally through refunding of war expenses by the state, $34,000 was reached. The building of the Town Hall building prevented much reduction for the next two years. For the last five years an average reduction of nearly $2500 each year has taken place. The debt is now about $18,000 with $7,000 assets. At this rate all will be wiped out in a few years.

☞A bedroom can be converted into a parlor in a moment by the use of one of Paine's folding cabinet beds, the best and latest invention. Can be seen at 48 Canal street.—*Boston Journal.*

O'SHEA BROS.

1881. SPRING, 1881.

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—OF—

Spring and Summer Goods

—WILL OCCUR—

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday,

April 4th, 5th and 6th.

In each of our Fifteen Departments we shall exhibit a larger and finer assortment than ever before. *Brilliant Displays* will be made in our

Dress Goods Department,
Small Ware and Trimming Department,
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Merchant Tailoring Department,
Gents' Furnishing Goods Department,
and Carpet Department.

Our Great New Stock has all been selected during the past three weeks with the greatest care in New York and Boston markets, and we feel confident in saying in points of size, quality and style, it stands second to none in New Hampshire.

OUR PRICES WE GUARANTEE WILL BE AS LOW AS ANY IN NEW ENGLAND.

☞Call and see the innumerable bargains which will be placed on our counters next week.

O'SHEA BROS., LACONIA, N. H.

OPENED THIS WEEK

—BY—

Smith, Lougee Bros. & Co.

NEW LINE OF

HOUSE-KEEPING GOODS.

CONSISTING OF

New White Table Linen,
New Turkey Red Damask,
New Bed Spreads,
New Towels,
New Crash,
New Napkins,
New Brown and Bleached Cottons,
New Bed Spreads,
New Tickings, &c., &c.,

On which we make a SPECIAL SALE, by giving EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS.

Extra size Bed Spreads at *60c* and *$1.00.*

Eighteen cent pure Linen Towels, *12 1-2c* each.

We now offer ten dozen of the best 25c Damask Towels ever placed in stock. Turkey Red Damask, 37 1-2, 50, 62 and 75c, which are much under price.

New Spring Dress Goods, Hosiery Small WARES, etc. being opened daily.

Great Sacrifice in Winter Clothing

For Men and Boys in Overcoats and Suits, Underwear, of all grades for Gentlemen, Ladies, Misses and Children now being closed out.

Every article in our winter line of goods now being sold regardless of profit.

☞If in want of any article in our various lines, don't fail to take a day to examine our large lines of goods, as we guarantee you will not regret the time spent in this way.

New Stock of Spring Carpets Now Opened,

And placed on sale at much lower prices than sold at any time for the past two years.

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MERCHANT TAILOR,

(Opposite Mt. Belknap House,)

Always keeps all the Latest Novelties the Market affords.

☞He makes his suits to order equal to the finest city trade and at as low prices as ordinary work can be bought for elsewhere.

Particular attention given to cutting Garments for others to make.

22-1y.

ELM HOUSE.

This house is too well known to need any further comment.

10-3m Livery Stable Attached.

C. M. BURLEIGH, Proprietor.

J. A. LANG,

For Sale {PIANOS} and To Let.

I can furnish Pianos of all grades and styles, either on lease or sale, on the most satisfactory terms. Address
72 MEREDITH, N. H.

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BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

J. T. WEEKS & Co.,

95 Main Street,

(Successors to Otis Beaman), keep a full line of

BOOTS & SHOES,

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Our Motto:

"GOOD GOODS AND LOW PRICES,"

WILL WIN ANYHOW.

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ROBINSON & SON,

Manufacturers and Dealers in

SUPERIOR CABINET

Organs

Meredith, N. H.

Our organ cases are all made from SOLID BLACK WALNUT or other woods as may be desired, and thoroughly seasoned, and will stand any test that wood is capable of. In the construction of these organs we use nothing but the very best materials obtainable.

PRICES FROM $75 AND UPWARDS.

WE ARE MAKING A GOOD

SUBSTANTIAL ORGAN

with 2 full sets of reeds and tremolo for the unprecendented

Low Price of

$75.

All instruments are warranted for SIX YEARS.

Having had many years' experience at Pianoforte making we feel confident that we can offer work second to no other manufacturers in this or any other State in the country.

Organs Constantly on Hand or Built to Order,

containing any number of combination of stops: Buyers of organs will readily perceive the great advantage in having their organ constructed under their own supervision, and purchasing at first hand, thereby saving agents' commissions.

We are also manufacturers for

RETAIL ONLY

—OF—

Superior Walnut

And other

EXTENSION TABLES

OF SPLENDID FINISH

Which we are offering at JOBBERS' PRICES.

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NEW ENGLAND NEWS.

Maine.

The mayor of Rockland, in view of the heavy burden of the city debt incurred by bonding for railroads, recommends the appointment of a committee to inform the bondholders of the city's condition and endeavor to reduce the rate of interest from 6 to 4 per cent.

The late Eben N. Winslow of East Deering left property valued at $8000 to the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

Rev. C. B. Atwood of the First church of Brunswick has resigned.

The ice has left the Penobscot river and Bangor is now open to navigation. The river has been closed 113 days.

The new railroad tax law is expected to return to the state $72,297, the largest amount, $30,773, coming from the Maine Central, and the smallest from the St. Croix, $2.50. The Boston and Maine pays $17,242, the Eastern $15,334 and the Grand Trunk $10,017.

The Lockwood company has begun the erection of a new cotton mill at Waterford, which has a capital of $900,000 all subscribed, and will run 55,000 spindles.

New Hampshire.

Lake Winnipiseogee, the largest lake in the state, will not be given many of the newly-hatched fish this year, because the dwellers on its shores violate the fish laws.

The supreme court has decided in favor of the constitutionality of the law taxing churchi property in excess of $10,000, holding that exemption is a privilege, rather than a legal right.

The stockholders of the Boston, Concord and Montreal railroad have authorized the directors to issue bonds in accordance with the act of the Legislature, securing them by mortgage on the road.

One of the bondsmen of Albee, the defaulting treasurer of the Winchester savings bank, is reported to have driven his stock across the line to Northfield, Mass., before it could be attached.

John Quinn, who sued the city of Portsmouth for $3000 for injuries received by falling on an icy sidewalk and breaking his thigh, has been awarded $100 by a referee.

Vermont.

An Albany man has an order from the West for 1,000,000 pounds of maple sugar.

The Central Vermont has collected along its tracks during the winter 50,000 to 60,000 cords of wood, for which it has paid $2 to $3.50 per cord.

Superintendents of education Dartt and Patterson of New Hampshire are considering the question of holding a joint series of teachers' institutes in the Connecticut valley.

Rutland county couples said to have a sort of Gretna Green in Hampton, Washington county, N. Y., a large proportion of the marriages there being from the former county.

The spiritualists of the state will celebrate their 33d anniversary at Essex April 2 and 3.

The expense of the proposed branch railroad around Wyegamus Falls, to connect with the Rutland and Burlington road, is estimated at $60,000, of which it is thought $20,000 could be raised in the town.

The annual meeting of the Vermont college of teachers will be held at Northfield in August, at the same time with the state teachers' association.

George Nichols, secretary of state, has issued a circular stating that mortgage debts are not exempt from taxation under the new law.

Massachusetts.

The bullet-riddled flag of the 48th New York regiment, a gift from the women of Brooklyn, has been found in a collection of relics at Lawrenceburg, and will be taken to Brooklyn and presented to the survivors of the regiment at their reunion April 21.

John H. Dearborn, a printer suspected of the Crue murder, has been discharged on the charge of breaking into the office of the South Shore Herald at Scituate. There is not the slightest evidence connecting him with the Crue murder.

A clever rascal has been earning a living in Boston by going around to banks and counting-rooms, representing himself as an agent of a counterfeit banknote detector, and asking for any specimens of bad bills. From these he erases the word "counterfeit" written upon them, and then succeeds in passing them and getting good money.

Beverly and Marblehead, which used to send 100 fishing schooners to the Grand Banks, have now a fleet of scarcely a dozen vessels.

An Ipswich man, whose house was burned in 1860, has just discovered that an insurance policy which he supposed had lapsed was good, and the company have paid the amount of the insurance.

An experiment is being made on the Providence railroad of an engine with four cylinders, double the usual number, the advantages claimed being increased speed, with less danger of leaving the track, and a much steadier motion while running.

Only 194 tramps were accommodated at the Marblehead almshouse last year, against 733 in 1879.

The rapid increase of Lowell is shown by its vital statistics, which show for the past year 358 births, 112 marriages and 304 deaths more than in 1879.

The city of Boston has begun a suit against Treasurer Dennie and his bondsmen, growing out of the Woodward defalcation.

Rhode Island.

Frank W. Magoon, a young man recently from Rockland, Mass., committed suicide with laudanum at Providence recently.

The telegraph cable between Block Island and the mainland has been broken.

Counsel in the Sprague divorce case are said to have agreed upon April 18 as the date for the trial.

The Senate has passed a bill providing that all insurance companies shall pay to the state 2 per cent of their gross premiums and assessments.

The state treasurer estimates the receipts for the present year at $890,219 and the expenditures at $799,209, leaving a balance of $176,673 on hand, counting in the present surplus.

The Senate committee on corporations reported favorably on the petition of the New York, Boston and Providence railroad for leave to mortgage that part of the road lying between Stoughton and Groton, Ct., for $500,000, and to lease the Pawtucket valley railroad.

Connecticut.

It is expected more buildings will be put up in Hartford this spring than for years, and the builders are pressed with contracts, while the architects have been busy all winter making plans.

The executive committee of the state agricultural society fixed upon Meriden as the place for the next annual fair and September 20-23 as the time. The premium list will be increased about 50 per cent.

A 15-years-old Hartford girl, whom her neighbors wished returned to the industrial school, of which she had been an inmate, has outwitted the court which was awaiting her arrival in order to send her back to Middletown, by marrying a milkman. As a married woman she could not be returned.

Rev. Thomas Harrison, the "boy preacher," has closed his 15-weeks' revival at the Methodist church in Meriden, during which time 325 have joined the church and 250 have knelt in prayer. Mrs. Van Cott succeeds him.

Mystic farmers are offering $25 per month for farm hands, and find them hard to get at that.

The late Dr. Charles Osgood of Norwich left an estate of $1,000,000, much of which he made out of a patent medicine for fever and ague.

Persons connected with the Parallel railroad scheme say that the new line proposed has nothing to do with their company, but will run north of the proposed Parallel road.

A Norwich relic-hunter has a collection of 6000 Indian arrow-heads.

The trustees of the property valued at about $60,000 left by David Watkinson of Hartford 30 years ago for the assistance of orphan children will secure a farm and asylum for the children near Hartford.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

The Senate calls for the papers which passed between the United States and Mexico during the years from 1859 to 1861, in reference to a proposed convention or treaty.

It is thought at Washington that the extra session will be held.

The department of state has over 500 applicants for consular appointments, of which there are only 163 in the service paying a salary of over $1000 a year.

Official advices have been received by the government from Matamoras that tons of infected rags are being constantly shipped from Mexico to the United States, destined to large manufactories, where they are ground and used in the manufacture of paper. The matter is undergoing investigation with a view to punishing the offenders.

David Davis proposes to have a statue erected to John Marshall. Of all great Americans, John Marshall—one of the four or five greatest Americans—is the only one with neither statue nor an adequate life.

President Garfield assured Gov. Murray of Utah that he will use every effort to suppress polygamy.

The total amount of national bank circulation now outstanding is $346,734,628.

The chief of the bureau of statistics reports that the total values of exports of domestic breadstuffs during the month of February were $13,919,246, and during February, 1880, $14,426,844.

A movement is on foot to bring about the retirement of Judge Clifford of the supreme court.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs Trowbridge, who is at his home in Michigan, suffering from sciatica, has sent in his resignation, to take effect at once.

The army appropriation bill for 1882 gave $50,000 for the manufacture of magazine guns. Col. R. I. Dodge, Capt. F. W. Benton, Capt. Geo. Shokley, Capt. H. G. Litchfield, and Capt. John E. Greer have been detailed to report upon any magazine guns brought before them. They will meet in New York city July 5.

Capt. Rockwell is assigned to duty in charge of the public buildings in Washington, relieving Col. Casey.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN.

The bill preventing the employment of convicts in state-prisons, in the manufacture of hats, shoes, collars, cuffs and cigars, was killed in the New York Assembly.

Indians made a raid on a wagon train near Puerto de Chocolate, N. M., recently, killed 30 men and burned the wagons.

The pope's encyclical letter has been issued proclaiming a jubilee from March 19 to November 1 for Europe, and to the end of the year for the rest of the world.

The British House of Commons, in committee of supply recently, agreed to the vote for 134,000 men for the army during the forthcoming year.

Diphtheria of a very fatal type is prevalent in Thurso village, near Ottawa. During the past week eighteen children have died.

A church will be erected where the assassination of the czar occurred.

The republicans are very active throughout Spain.

The West had another heavy fall of snow a few days ago.

At the instance of the Russian minister, the editor of the socialist newspaper in Copenlingen has been arrested and will be prosecuted for insulting Russia.

Italy has decided to construct another colossal iron-clad, which will be superior to anything now afloat.

Many prizes of considerable value were, for many years, given in several studios, notably Greek, in Columbia college. The trustees have abolished them all, on the ground that the competitors were actuated by the money rather than by an appreciation of the honors. It is now proposed to return to the old system of merit.

Walter Mahand, a negro, created a panic on Broadway, New York, recently, by running about naked and delirious, covered with small-pox. He was captured by the police and will die.

Quite a sensation was caused in Madrid by the fact that a few hours before King Alfonso received the news of the assassination of the emperor of Russia, he had met a party of workmen who cried out as he passed: "Long live the federal republic! Down with the king!" The king and aristocracy have been much affected of late by the clandestine proclamations and prints of the federal juntas that have been distributed in the barracks of the large towns and in the naval arsenals and that have found their way into the palace.

The arrival of immigrants at New York city last week was 5522, which is largely in excess of the numbers reported during the corresponding week in any preceding year.

The new emperor of Russia will issue a formal proclamation of his deceased father's marriage with Princess Dolgorouki, wishing to pay a mark of deference to that lady.

A fatal railroad accident took place recently near Bondy station, France, from a collision between a train and an empty wagon left carelessly on the line. Twenty-six persons were killed or injured.

An attempt is being made to induce French Canadians in the eastern states to return to Canada, and free grants of land are offered them.

The Italian opera-house at Nice was burned recently during a performance, and 100 persons perished in the flames.

Copies of the speech delivered in New York by Herr Hasselman, the socialist member of the Reichstag, have been distributed by the thousand in Leipsic, and several copies of the speech have been found in soldiers' knapsacks at the barracks there.

The new Belgian expedition will go to western Africa shortly.

The bill for the removal of the state capital from Harrisburg to Philadelphia was defeated in the Pennsylvania House recently.

The Canadian minister of agriculture has addressed a memorandum to the British government, proposing an extensive organization of Irish immigration to Manitoba and the Northwest territories.

The negotiations between the German government and Vatican have resulted so far in the concession of several points to the latter.

DISGUSTING SCENE.

At the recent hanging of Joseph N. Thibault, for the murder of Charlotte Hill, in September last, in Annapolis county, Nova Scotia, some extraordinary scenes were witnessed. All through the night little knots of persons collected together at the street corners, and one or two attempts were made on the jail fence, but the constables drove off the persons making the attack. Toward daylight teams of every description began to pour into the town, and soon after six o'clock the crowd began to gather in front of the jail inclosure.

Many of those coming from the country were inflamed with liquor, and it became evident that the threatened destruction of the fence would take place if a determined front was not shown by the constables, about a dozen of whom were on duty. With shouts and yells the mob rushed toward the fence. Clergymen, constables and citizens remonstrated, entreated, and tried in every way to restrain the throng, but all to no purpose. Huge beams were used as battering rams, and once an opening was made, poles and hands were used, and the whole front of the high, strong fence was in a few minutes torn down. The people tore at the boards like maniacs, beating and trampling them under foot with cries of rage.

While this wild disorder was occurring outside, Thibault was walking slowly up and down his cell, striving to fortify himself. A few minutes before eight o'clock the sheriff and his deputy, with the constable, entered the cell, and Thibault's arms were pinioned, the fatal noose was placed around his neck, and he walked slowly out. His breath came and went in great gasps, and his cheeks grew livid. He walked with downcast eyes and heavy steps, seeming not to notice the sea of upturned faces or the gallows. He was led up the steps and stood on the scaffold. A priest stood close beside him, holding his hand and uttering words of consolation and prayer, which latter the doomed man repeated after him.

The rope was attached to a hook and an end was tied over the cross-beam. The crowd were silent as the sheriff read the death warrant. Then the black cap was drawn down, the noose was adjusted, and Thibault was gently pushed on to the drop. A moment later the rope was cut and the drop fell. Not the slightest motion of his body was observable after the fall, though death did not immediately ensue. The crowd began to surge in. Some one urged them "for God's sake to restrain themselves in the presence of death," and some fell back abashed. The pulse of the dying man did not cease to beat for about fourteen minutes after the fall. Seventeen minutes after the fall the body was cut down. The crowd, which numbered about 1,000, among whom were women and children, then quietly dispersed.

CARL SCHURZ.

For a man of his years—he is only fifty-two years old—Carl Schurz has seen a variety of life in two worlds. Born at the German village of Libbau, he was educated at the Gymnasium of Cologne and at the University of Bonn. At the gymnasium he became intimate with Gottfried Kinkel, who was a professor there, and imbibed from him many ideas to which he himself was naturally inclined. In his twentieth year he was associated with Kinkel, fourteen years his senior, in editing a revolutionary journal, and subsequently in initiating a revolution. At the surrender of the Fortress of Rastadt Schurz escaped into Switzerland, and, returning (May, 1850) to Germany, rescued his friend and associate, who had been sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment at Spandau They got safely off to Leith, Scotland, the younger German going thence to Paris as a newspaper correspondent, but after a year went to London and became a teacher. He came to the United States when he was twenty-two, and settled in Philadelphia, where he had a number of friends. He left in three years for the West, taking up his abode, after various wanderings, in Wisconsin, and entering actively into politics. He gained much favor with the Germans, who are very numerous in that section, and addressed during the Fremont campaign many assemblies of his countrymen in their native tongue. He was nominated by the Republicans for lieutenant-governor, but was defeated, having then so mastered the English language as to use it fluently from the stump. In 1861 he was appointed minister to Spain, but he resigned his place after a few months, and, returning to his adopted country, offered his services to the government, and entered the Union army at the head of a brigade. In 1869 he was chosen a national senator from Missouri, and in 1877 secretary of the interior by Hayes, at the beginning of his administration. He resided in New York before accepting the secretaryship, though he still calls St. Louis home, having considerable interest and a connection with the leading German newspaper there.

TURKISH FUNERAL CUSTOMS.

During the last hours of Khalil Effendi, the venerable Sheik-ul-Islam, who died a short time ago at Constantinople, twelve softas, stationed in his death chamber, were incessantly engaged in chanting chanters from the Koran, with the pious object of facilitating the passage of his soul from this world to the next. As soon as he had breathed his last his six wives were admitted to his bedside, where they set up a piteous wailing, beating their breasts the while, and continued to give expression to their grief in this dismal manner until removed by the eunuchs in order that Khalil's body might be prepared for its interment, which took place within seven hours of his death. After being bathed in perfumed water, the aged dignitary's corpse was inwrapped in the folds of a costly white turban, which he had worn upon his head for thirty consecutive years previous to his decease. This, and this only, was Khalil's winding sheet, tightly swaddled in which his remains were borne to the cemetery upon the shoulders of four young softas, after the ninety-nine virtues of Allah had been duly recited over his bier by the senior Ulcimas of the Stamboul clergy.

Before the days of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, a person troubled with a cough always consulted his physician. Now he only invests 25 cents, and is cured after a few doses.

GENTLE WOMAN

CAN BE SO EASILY GULLED.

She was looking out of the window when he entered the yard, and she said to herself that he might ring the bell until he was tired, for she didn't want to buy any soap and had nothing for tramps. He rang and rang, and after the seventh or eighth peal she went to the door to bless him.

"This is the greatest piece of impudence I ever saw," she exclaimed as she pulled the door open.

He smiled. He lifted his hat and smiled again. He had poor clothes and a hungry look, but there was something captivating in his smile.

"Well?" she queried as she held the door.

"My errand is a very pleasant one, and yet I feel somewhat embarrassed in making it known."

"If you have any bills to collect you must call when my husband is in," she observed.

"Bills, oh, no. Madam, you have perhaps noticed in the papers that a book entitled: 'Prominent Women of America' is soon to be published."

"I—I—y-e-s. I think so."

"Well, it is to be illustrated with engravings of 100 striking faces. My instructions are not to look for beauty so much as marked expression of deep thought. I was instructed to call here and ask you if you would permit the publishers to publish your wood-cut in the forthcoming book?"

"Who could have sent you?"

"I dare not tell. Your's is to be published on the first page, and only nine more will be taken from the city."

"And what's the charge?"

"Nothing. If you want the book you will have to pay $2, but you are not asked to take it."

"I can't see why they should have selected me."

"Beg pardon, ma'am, but your's is a very striking face. It portrays an expression of strength of character I never saw equaled. Many ladies have offered me as high as $10 to put them in the book, but we cannot go outside of our selections."

"I can't give you a decided answer today," she said after thinking it over. "Perhaps my husband will object. You may call again to-morrow, and you will please accept this for your trouble."

"Liberality as well as strength of character," he chuckled as he pocketed the bill. "Very well; I will call at this hour to-morrow."

That was two weeks ago, but the woman is not expecting him. She has learned from her husband that this is a cold world, and that Gulliver's Travels will be sent to all subscribers for the "prominent women" book.

INTERESTING FACTS.

The chamois, bounding over the mountain, are indebted in no small degree to a species of pheasants. The bird acts as a sentinel, for as soon as it gets sight of a man it whistles—upon hearing which the chamois, knowing the hunters to be near, sets out at full speed.

The twinkling of the stars is generally admitted to be due to the moisture in the upper air. M. Montigny, in a paper published in *Les Modes*, holds that a very pronounced twinkling of the stars indicates either commotion in the upper regions of the atmosphere or a sudden fall of temperature there, thus denoting the conditions of an early appearance of bad weather.

When a strong east wind blows over the Sea of Azoy the waters retire in a remarkable manner, and the people living on one shore can cross dry-shod to the other. But this hazardous journey sometimes involves the fate of Pharaoh, for a sudden change of wind will bring the water quickly back to its usual place, and travelers are frequently swallowed up by the fickle waves.

It is on record that in the year 1531 a poor old man, residing in Tarentum, near Naples, was the subject of a most marvelous change at the age of nearly ninety. His skin peeled off, it is said, and a new, soft and smooth skin supplied its place; his muscles again became plump and yielding; the wrinkles disappeared from his face, and the white hairs from his head; the fresh complexion of youth replaced the one, and dark, curly locks the other. Fifty years later he again became decrepit with a second age; and he died after he had passed his 150th year.

Australia, with Tasmania, is only a little less in size than Europe. The hottest climate in the world probably occurs in the desert interior of Australia. Captain Stuart hung a thermometer on a tree shaded from both sun and wind. It was graduated to 127 degrees Fahrenheit; yet so great was the heat of the air that the mercury rose till it burst the tube, and the temperature must have been at least 128 degrees Fahrenheit—apparently the highest ever recorded in any part of the world. For three months Captain Stuart found the mean temperature to be over 101 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade. Nevertheless, on the southern mountains and table-lands three feet of snow sometimes falls in a day. Snow-storms have been known to last three weeks, the snow lying from four to fifteen feet in depth and burying the cattle.

FOOT GEAR.

The modern shoe has been evolved by a succession of slight modifications and enlargements of a very simple primitive covering. In the ages of stone and bronze man seems to have protected his foot by a piece of bark or leather laid under the sole and fastened in a very simple manner about the foot with straps. As time grew the sandal, with its broader and more elaborate bands, reaching above the ankles, such as we see represented in the art of ancient Egypt and later. From the sandal, again, was developed, by the addition of a fine leather below the straps, as well as the broadening of the straps, the germ of the shoe proper, an arrangement illustrated by the Greek half-boot. The completion of this process of development was the doing away with the band, and the making of the upper-leather firmer.

SUICIDES.

The following are Professor Bertillon's statistics respecting the increase in the number of suicides in different countries. Why, however, a Dane should be so far more anxious to make an end of himself than any other human being, it would be difficult to explain. In every million of persons:

Suicides have increased	from		Annually.
In Italy	1864 to 1878	from	30 to 37
Belgium	1831 to 1878	from	68 to 90
Gt. Brit. and Ireland	1860 to 1878	from	66 to 70
Sweden and Norway	1820 to 1877	from	39 to 80
Austria	1850 to 1878	from	70 to 122
France	1827 to 1877	from	73 to 149
Prussia	1820 to 1878	from	71 to 133
Denmark	1836 to 1876	from	213 to 258
United States	1845 to 1878	from	107 to 163
Minor German States	1835 to 1878	from	117 to 289

SKETCHING A LION.

While the celebrated Martin, the "dompteur," was staying at Ghent in 1825, he noticed among the most constant attendants at his menagerie a young man who, by reason of the drawing materials he brought with him and freely employed, stood confessed an artist. Martin introduced himself, and the two became intimate friends. One day the enthusiastic artist, while taking the portrait of a noble lion called Nero, complained bitterly that the bars of the cage were in the way. "Don't let that be any obstacle," said the "dompteur," sympathizingly. "If you will come into Nero's 'apartment,' and allow me to introduce you, I can answer for it that he will show how flattered he is by a visit from so excellent an artist, and will give you every facility for handing down his features to posterity." The artist, strange to say, jumped at the offer; and Martin, who was not the man to lose an opportunity of advertising himself, sent word to the duke of Saxe-Weimar, governor of Ghent, and to other notabilities, that he would on a given day go into Nero's cage, and take "an amateur stranger" with him.

The duke did not fail to put in an appearance; the plucky pair walked into the cage, and Nero was at first inclined to be what is called "nasty." But, reassured by his master's voice, the lion went and lay down in a corner; and the painter, sitting down opposite, coolly proceeded to—cut his pencil. Having performed this little preliminary to his satisfaction, he executed a sketch of Nero, which was pronounced to be very like. The "dompteur" and the painter then took a polite leave of the lion; and the duke, having complimented the artist on the pluck as well as talent displayed, would fain have purchased the sketch. But it was not to be had for money, and the artist kept it himself as the converse of a memento mori. This was Verbockhoven, afterward famous as a Belgian animal painter. How much of his success he owed to his daring feat, there is no telling, but it very likely gave him the start which talent requires; and yet, adds the narrator of the anecdote, one would hardly like to whisper to the young aspirant of to-day, "Go thou and do likewise."

THE STRICKEN FATHER.

"Lord bless you! but I had never given him a second look. I knew that he was a Norwegian, slow but solid, hardly able to speak a word of English, and I never cared whether he had a relative on earth. Perhaps it looks a bit hard-hearted in me, but I am driven from morning till night, and I must drive the men under me. When I want a hod-carrier I look for muscle, and when I have found muscle I don't look further for sentiment."

"How did the accident happen?"

"He stepped off the scaffold."

"And is badly hurt?"

"Yes, though I think he will pull through. Any man might have blundered as he did, but since I have learned how it was with him I've felt womanish in my heart."

"How was it?"

"Well, he had just got his hod filled with bricks down there when two or three of his countrymen came along and told him that his baby boy was dead. They had just come from his house on Russell street to bring in the news. He came up on the scaffold with his hod, probably intending to notify me of his affliction. His eyes must have been full of tears, and as he stepped out he missed his distance and went to the ground. There were tears on his cheeks when we picked him up, and the only word he uttered was to speak his dead boy's name. I had looked upon him only as an old Norwegian, but I found that he was a husband and father, a man with love and faith, a father who went home at night to coo with his baby and kiss the wife who had left all behind to follow him over the sea, and I tell you I feel like asking his forgiveness and doing all I can to soften the grief which has come upon his humble home."—*Detroit Free Press*

THE MARKETS.

BOSTON.

Flour—Western Superfine	$4.00	@	4.25
Common Extra	4.25	@	4.75
St. Louis	4.50	@	5.00
Corn	.58	@	.61
Oats	.32	@	.33 1-2
Butter—Fair to good	.28	@	.30
Selections	.33	@	.35
Cheese—Choice Factory	.14	@	.14 1-2
Fair to good	.13 1-2	@	.13 1-2
Skim and coarse	.10	@	.11
Eggs—Eastern and near-by	.19	@	.20
Western		@	
Potatoes	.75	@	.80
Hay	17 00	@	24 00
Rye Straw, per ton	24 00	@	25 00
Pork—Mess	19 50	@	19 00
Beef—Mess	10 50	@	11 00

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Flour—Superfine Western	5.75	@	4.20
Common to good extra	5.15	@	4.90
Good to choice	5.00	@	6.75
Corn—Ungraded	.65	@	.68 1-2
Oats	.43 1-4	@	.44 1-2
Pallow	06 3-4	@	06 3-4
Pork—Mess	15.00	@	15.70
Butter—State	.16	@	.34
Western	.13	@	.27
Cheese—State	.9 3-4	@	.13 1-4

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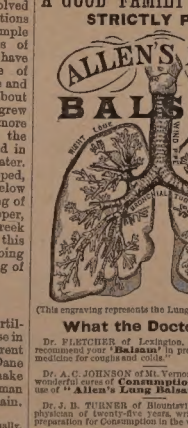

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[Ypsilanti (Mich.) Commercial.]

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[Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.]

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